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Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2006 10:47 AM
To: mmcnicholas@sustainableseafoods.com%inter2
Cc: NOSB Livestock
Subject: Re: Your support is needed for US Organic Standards for Seafood

Attachments: ATTACHMENT.TXT

As a retailer of Natural and organic foods, I support the creation of organic standards for seafood, and I endorse the position of the Organic Seafood Council on the specific issues involved
thank you

Rich Packman
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From: Michael McNicholas
To: Rich Packman
Sent: Sunday, April 16, 2006 9:57 AM
Subject: Your support is needed for US Organic Standards for Seafood

For attention of: Rich Packman, Nature's Food Patch

Dear Rich Packman:

Attached is the comment by the Organic Seafood Council on the Interim Final Report. It has been endorsed by the companies listed below and submitted to the NOSB - National Organic Standards Board.

We are asking you to please review the document and to give us your specific endorsement for this document.

The Organic Seafood Council is an industry non-profit group who support the creation of US standards for organic aquaculture. It is open to all and if you would like to join us, just send me an email. We are in favor of strong and credible standards that are in harmony with the rest of the world.

We are striving to include as many endorsements as we can to the NOSB on Wednesday of next week when we speak at the first public meetings on April 19. Your endorsements will ensure that the comment has weight with the NOSB.

So whether you are a producer, a feed manufacturer, a processor, an importer, a distributor, an environmental organisation, a restaurateur, a retailer, a chef, a consumer or other - encourage the creation of US standards for organic aquaculture by simply replying to this email with your message of support. If you are a journalist, we would appreciate your editorials, your commentary and coverage of this process.

We also urge you to submit your own comments directly. You may see some of the comments already submitted at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop/PublicComments/AquacultureWorkingGroupInterim/PublicCommentsAquaWGInterim.html>

Simply create your comment and submit it to NOSB.Livestock@usda.gov

If you have any questions about what is going on, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you in advance for your speedy attention.

Regards,

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8TH SEA, The Organic Seafood Company (Jorge Gaskins), San Juan, Puerto Rico (Producer, Importer)
Naturland (Germany) (Dr. Stefan Berglieter), Grafelfing, Germany (Organic Certifier)
Pacific Soybean & Grain (Daniel Burke) San Francisco, CA, USA (Feed Supplier)
Kona Blue (Neil A. Sims) Hawaii, USA (Producer)

Dom International (Robert Sloan) Toronto, Canada (Importer, Distributor)

BioCentinela (Javier Barragan) Guayaquil, Ecuador (Producer)

EXPALSA (Juan Xavier Cordovez) Guayaquil, Ecuador (Producer)

Blue Horizon Seafood (Tim Redmond) Aptos, CA, USA (Importer, Distributor)

GreatBay Aquaculture (George Nardi) Portsmouth, NH, USA (Producer)